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TO: PRIORITY FBIS INFO FBIS/LONDON, CAIRO.

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1. THE INITIAL RESULTS OF THE ALEXANDRIA SURVEY INDICATE THAT RECEPTION OF LIBYAN TRANSMITTERS THERE IS ONLY marginally BETTER THAN IN NICOSIA, AND THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO MONITOR SUDAN MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTERS FROM THERE DURING MOST OF THE BROADCAST DAY. [] DOES NOT FEEL THAT THE SITE WOULD PROVIDE MUCH MORE USEFUL COVERAGE OF LIBYAN/SUDANESE TRANSMITTERS THAN IS NOW POSSIBLE AT EXISTING BUREAUS. COVERAGE OF SOME OF THE LESSER PRIORITY TARGETS IN THE EASTERN MED AND AFRICA WAS GOOD. DETAILS WILL BE FURNISHED FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY.

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2. DCM MATTHEWS HAS OFFERED TO LET US SAMPLE RECEPTION FROM THE CAIRO EMBASSY FOR A FEW DAYS. [] FEELS THAT IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT CAIRO WOULD PROVIDE ANY SIGNIFICANT GAIN IN MONITORABILITY OF THE SUDANESE FREQUENCIES, BUT IS WILLING TO GIVE IT A TRY. IF YOU WISH HIM TO DO SO, PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY AND CONSULATE GENERAL THROUGH STATE CABLE.

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3. IF YOU FEEL THAT A FULL SURVEY IN ALEXANDRIA IS NOT REQUIRED IN VIEW OF ABOVE, PLEASE NOTIFY [] ASAP SO THAT HE CAN MAKE PACKING AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS.

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